

CLAIMS:

1. A microcontroller, wherein the microcontroller (10) has at least one status bit (12) by means of which a writing and/or reading of N-bit address words by at least one standard instruction of the microcontroller (10) can be forced, wherein the address length N of the N-bit address word is greater than the address length of a standard set of instructions or of equivalents of other sets of instructions of the microcontroller.
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2. A microcontroller as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the address length N of the N-bit address word is greater than 16.
- 10 3. A microcontroller as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the address length N of the N-bit address word has the value 20, 24 or 32.
4. A microcontroller as claimed in any of the preceding claims, characterized in that the at least one standard instruction is an LCALL, ACALL or RET instruction or the
15 like.
5. A microcontroller as claimed in any of the preceding claims, characterized in that the at least one status bit (12) can be set and/or deleted by means of at least one computer-readable storage medium (14).
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6. A microcontroller as claimed in any of the preceding claims, characterized in that the at least one status bit (12) is part of at least one Special Function Register (16).
7. A microcontroller as claimed in any of the preceding claims, characterized in that the at least one status bit (12) is implemented in the hardware of the microcontroller (10).
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8. A microcontroller as claimed in any of the preceding claims, characterized by a design for use in a smartcard.

9. An addressing method, characterized in that at least one status bit (12) of a microcontroller (10) is set and as a result a writing and/or reading of N-bit address words by means of at least one standard instruction of the microcontroller (10) is forced.
- 5 10. A method as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that the at least one standard instruction is an LCALL, ACALL or RET instruction or the like.
11. A method as claimed in either of claims 9 and 10, characterized in that the at least one status bit (12) is set and/or deleted by means of at least one computer-readable
10 storage medium (14).
12. A method as claimed in any of claims 9 to 11, characterized in that the at least one status bit (12) is part of at least one Special Function Register (16).
- 15 13. A method as claimed in any of claims 9 to 12, characterized in that the at least one status bit (12) is implemented in the hardware of the microcontroller (10).